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II. SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please amend the paragraph on page 1, lines 11-20 as follows:

In the product note "PDL Measurements using the Agilent 8169A Polarization Controller" by Christian Hentschel and Siegmar Schmidt, it is described how the minimum and maximum insertion loss as well as the polarization dependent loss (PDL) can be obtained by means of the scrambling technique, and by means of the Mueller method that is based on a determination of the Mueller matrix of the device under test (DUT). The document "PDL Measurements using the Agilent 8169A Polarization Controller" is herewith incorporated into the description of the present application—and can be accessed via the Internet by means of the URL http://literature.agilent.com/litweb/pdf/5964-9937E.pdf.